

SAN FRANCISCO, June 6.—Cloudy, cooler tonight, cloudy Wednesday, fresh northwesterly winds.
Northern California: Cloudy tonight and Wednesday.

SAMOANS ARE NOW DISARMED.

Mataafa's Guns Now Stacked on Board the Badger and Peace Reigns.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—The Secretary of State has received the following cablegram from Bartlett Tripp, the United States representative on the Samoan Commission:

APIA, Samoa, May 31 (via Auckland, N. Z., June 6).—MATAAFA DISARMED. OVER 150 RIFLES SURRENDERED.

WILL TURN MATAAFA DOWN.

AUCKLAND, N. Z., June 6.—At the Queen's birthday celebration in Samoa it was officially announced that GREAT BRITAIN WOULD ABSOLUTELY VETO ANY PROPOSITION THAT MATAAFA SHOULD EVER BECOME KING.

THE NATIVES DISARMED.

APIA, Samoa, May 31 (via Auckland, N. Z., June 6).—Mataafa and the Tamaese have visited the members of the Samoan Commission on board the United States transport Badger, and Mataafa visited them the following day. Neither of them was recognized as King.

Mataafa blamed the Europeans for the trouble here. The Commissioners informed him that they had power to establish a Government with or without a King. Mataafa thought the Samoans should have a King, but expressed willingness to disarm his followers and leave the matter in the hands of the commission.

The Germans acted for the first time in many months with the representatives of the other powers, and have officially sent a guard ashore. The naval authorities and the mission societies have submitted their views to the Commission, and the latter, by proclamation, fixed May 27th as the date for the natives to surrender their arms. Mataafa, however, asked for an extension of the time until today, when he surrendered 150 guns on board the Badger. The Mallettas are now disarmed.

THE PHILADELPHIA SAILS FOR AMERICA.

The United States cruiser Philadelphia, flying the flag of Admiral Kautz, sailed May 28th, and the British and German Consuls, Maxse and Herr Rose, proceeded to Europe May 28th.

The Queen's birthday was celebrated with great rejoicing, about 3,000 men strong of the Malletta party attending the festivities at Mellini. In the presence of the British Consul and naval officers, the procession visited the graves of the British and American, and then marched to the graves of the Germans who were slain in the battle of Fagaita in 1889. The Americans fired a salute over the German graves.

The natives are feeling confidence, and are freely submitting their grievances to the Commission. The natives brought here from other islands at the time of the disturbances will be returned to their homes, and all the warships will probably leave Samoa at an early date.

The Chief Justice, William L. Chambers, will continue the sittings of the Supreme Court. Dr. William Selt, the newly arrived German President of the Municipal Council here, has not yet assumed his duties.

The Commissioners are confident, but it is understood they are considering a reduction of the cost of administration as established by the Berlin treaty, and that the number of officials may be reduced.

WANT THE REBELS PUNISHED.

The residents of Apia express dissatisfaction at the indications given by the Commission that the rebels will not be punished and that they will also be paid for arms illegally imported. They consider this a bad precedent, but it is admitted this is too early to criticize the action of the Commissioners.

The American gun staff has arrived here and will proceed to erect a naval jetty and coal stores at Fagaita.

Judge Mullin, the former American Consul, has arrived here to conduct the compensation claims and defend Mataafa. But the Commission has indicated that no money will be taken of the claims beyond recording them, and it is possible the Commission will ask each power to compensate its own citizens or subjects as the case may be.

YOUNG WOMAN TAKES HER LIFE.

"Oh, Jack, You Have Broken My Heart," Her Last Words.

Mrs. J. J. La Ferme, wife of an architect with an office in room 25, Examiner building, San Francisco, took poison this afternoon in a house at 109 Clay street.

The woman's last words were: "Oh, Jack, you have broken my heart." The woman is 35 years old.

Great efforts are being made to suppress the story.

RECENT RAINS A GREAT BENEFIT

The Crop Prospects in California Most Encouraging.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. SAN FRANCISCO, June 6.—The Department of Agriculture has prepared the following summary of the weather and crop conditions in the different parts of California for the week just ended:

SACRAMENTO VALLEY.

Fruit: Cherries and plums were somewhat injured by rain during the week, but all other fruits, including berries and grapes, were greatly benefited and are now in excellent condition. In Sacramento county there are indications of a very large yield of grapes.

Grain: Barley is ripening rapidly, and the harvest will commence in a few days, even very good. Late sown wheat was benefited by the late rains. Oats were not damaged. It is reported that there is some rust in early wheat in Tehama

county. Prospects are good for a large yield of wheat, barley and oats. Hay: The rain injured the hay in many sections, but the less will probably be serious as warmer weather and drier winds followed the rain.

Stocks: Cattle, sheep, hogs and chickens were benefited by the rain. COAST AND BAY DISTRICTS.

Grain: Very little if any injury to fruit resulted from the late rain, and in many orchards the crop was greatly benefited. Apples will yield a fair crop, though not as large as expected. In San Joaquin valley the damage to grain was not so serious as reported.

Hay: In some portions of this section the hay was considerably damaged by the rain and heavy winds, while in other places the crop was not injured.

Fruit: So far as reported, fruits were not injured by the recent rain, and prospects are much improved. Vineyards especially were greatly benefited, and a heavy crop is probable. Potatoes are ripening; the crop will be large. Apples and plums will be light. Fruit picking will be commenced in a few days.

Grain: Cool weather and rain have been favorable to all growing crops, especially to late sown wheat. Grain was lodged by the heavy rain in some sections, and harvest has been delayed, but the yield will be increased by the favorable conditions prevailing recently.

Hay: The crop was considerably damaged by the recent rains, although some sections farmers reported that the warnings given and protected cut hay, alfalfa was benefited. Pastureage was benefited by the rain and is in excellent condition.

GOMEZ'S FAREWELL WORDS

Cuba's War-Worn Chief Urges the Cubans to Says They Must Prove Takes Leave of the Cease Factional Themselves Worthy Island. Strife. of Liberty.

BY THE TRIBUNE'S ASSOCIATED PRESS SPECIAL LEASED WIRE.

HAVANA, June 6.—General Maximo Gomez, the former Commander-in-Chief of the Cuban army, will issue his farewell manifesto today. In substance it will say: "The mission I have been entrusted with is nearly concluded. I have attempted to find a solution of questions concerning the army which I commanded during the bloodiest war known in Cuba. I am now leaving, regretfully, to attend to necessary private business."

PARTING WORDS OF GOMEZ. "A parting word to the people for whom I have sacrificed thirty years of my life, and to my friends in the army just disbanded, which action should have been taken instantly after the bloody weight of Spain's merciless regime. We armed ourselves, and therefore we now no longer want soldiers, but men for the maintenance of peace and order, which are the basis of Cuba's future welfare."

"It is necessary to understand that the nation in this epoch, the most difficult in its history, should avail itself of the opportunity to show that it possesses virtues in spite of the vices caused by colonial government and the harshness of the warlike life. We wanted and depended upon foreign intervention to terminate the war. This occurred at the most terrible moment of our contest and resulted in Spain's defeat. But none of us thought this extraordinary event would be followed by a military occupation of the country by our allies, who treat us as a people incapable of acting for ourselves and who have reduced us to obedience, to submission and to the tutelage imposed by force of circumstances."

MUST UNITE FOR INDEPENDENCE.

"This cannot be but ultimate face after the years of struggle, and, we should add, by every pacific method, in finishing the work of organizing, which the Americans accepted in the protocol and which is as desirable for them as for ourselves. This aid will prove useless without concord among all the elements. Therefore it is necessary to forget past disagreement, to completely unite all elements and to organize a political party which is needed in any country."

"It is always said that countries have the government which they merit, and Cuba will have that which her people entitle her to. Today she can only have one party in Cuba, with one object, that of obtaining the aspiration of years."

ADVISES PEACEFUL WORK.

"We must devote ourselves to pacific labors, gain the respect of the world and show that, though our war was honorable, our peace must be more so."

"We must make useless by our behavior the presence of a strange power in the island, and must assist the Americans to complete the honorable mission they have been compelled to assume by force of circumstances."

"This work was not sought by these rich northerners, owners of a continent. I think doubts and suspicions are unjust. We must form immediately a committee or a club to be the nucleus of government. This will serve Cuba."

A PATHETIC FAREWELL.

"I, as one of the first Cubans, although one of our last soldiers and not far from the grave, without passions or ambition, call on you with the sincerity of a father and urge a cessation of the contentions and creation of parties of all kinds which disturb the country and tend to cause anarchy. In this country there should not be one man whom we consider a stranger. Today we no longer have autonomists or conservatives, but only Cubans."

"My mission having ended, I will absent myself temporarily to embrace my family, but I will return shortly to Cuba, which I love as my own land."

"My last words for my soldiers are that, as always, where my tent is the Cubans have a friend."

GERMANY'S NEW POSSESSIONS.

The Text of the Treaty With Spain for the Islands.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

BERLIN, June 6.—The Minister of Foreign Affairs, Baron von Bulow, in the Reichstag today made a statement on the subject of the German-Spanish treaty for the cession of the Caroline, Ladrones and Pelew Islands.

He said that in order to round off the German possessions in the Pacific, and in view of German commercial interests which had long existed in the Caroline Islands, we considered it our duty to take care of this group so that in the event of a change in ownership it should not be lost to Germany.

The Minister then read the text of the agreement, which was concluded February 12, 1899.

First—Spain cedes the Caroline, Pelew and Ladrones Islands, except the island of Guam, in consideration of a compensation of 25,000,000 pesetas.

Second—Germany conceded the Spanish trade and agricultural enterprises in these islands the same treatment and facilities as conceded to German trade and enterprises in the Spanish colonies or in the islands the same rights and liberties as the German orders.

Third—Spain will establish naval, mercantile and coal stations in the Carolines, Pelews, and Ladrones, and will be allowed to retain them in case of war.

Fourth—This agreement is to be submitted for the constitutional sanction of the two countries, and is to be ratified as soon as the sanction is given.

Continuing, Baron von Bulow said: "An understanding has also been arrived at with Spain regarding the future cession of colonial territories, such as corresponding with the wishes and interests of Germany, as well as Spanish trade. So soon as the Cortes sanctions the sale of the islands we will immediately submit the necessary bills to the Reichstag, which will have the opportunity of a thorough and practical examination of colonial territories, vicariously as Reichstag will defer its discussion out of international courtesy." (Cheers.)

In spite of the request of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Herr von Bulow and Richter, in behalf of the German Leftists during the course of the debate on the supplementary estimates, vicariously attacked the Spanish-German agreement, criticized the exorbitant price paid for the islands and claimed they were of little value.

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DIED FOR THEIR COUNTRY.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. WASHINGTON, June 6.—The War Department has received the following additional casualty list from General Otis: Killed: Twelfth Infantry, June 3, Company C, Private David Goldschmidt; Fourth, Private Converse P. Warner; Company G, Second Oregon; June 4th, Private Wm. McElwain; Fourth Cavalry, Company C, Sergeant Solb Lovell; Company I, Sergeant Benjamin Craig.

SMOTHERED IN A QUARRY.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. ALBANY, Pa., June 6.—Three men were smothered to death today in a quarry at Berlinville. The dead: ROBERT SNYDER, leaves a wife and seven children; JACOB SHAFER, widow and four children; AMMON BEARS, single.

WOODMEN TAKE KANSAS CITY.

Greatest Convention in the History of the Order.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 6.—The greatest convention of Modern Woodmen of America in the history of the order began this morning. There were 10,000 Woodmen in the city when the first gathering met. By Thursday, when the attractions will include a great parade with twenty-three brass bands, the opening of the team contests and an address by William J. Bryan, it is predicted that at least 75,000 visitors will be here.

The city is decorated in carnival fashion. It is believed that all the principal officers will be needed.

The opening session this morning was entirely routine and consisted of welcoming addresses from Governor Stanley of Kansas, Major Jones, John Sullivan, on behalf of the local Woodmen, and Attorney James A. Reed, a response by Hon. Conant William A. Northcott, of Illinois, and the appointment of committees.

Brooke makes complaint.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. NEW YORK, June 6.—A special to Herald from Washington says:

General Brooke is seriously handicapped in his administration of affairs in Cuba by the absence of a large number of officers from that regiment. In a cablegram received at the War Department he complains of his action in extending the leaves of absence to their homes on short vacations. Not only does the absence of a full quota of officers materially increase the labors of those on duty, General Brooke states, but it demoralizes discipline in the ranks.

The War Department will hereafter be more rigid in the rules governing leaves of absence.

HEAVY FINE IMPOSED.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. PRINCETON, Ky., June 6.—Every man in town was fined today for contempt of court. A petition had been signed by all the citizens asking the Grand Jury not to indict the insurance companies, and no indictments were found. The commonwealth's attorney moved to proceed against the signers for contempt of court. The judge fixed the fine at 1 cent and the defendants applauded the decision.

The Plague in Egypt.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. CAIRO, June 6.—The total number of plague victims at Alexandria is placed at fourteen, of which two are dead. Four cases have been cured. Four new cases were reported yesterday, but no new cases have been reported elsewhere.

Col. McKibben's Appointment.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. WASHINGTON, June 6.—By direction of the President the Acting Secretary of War has issued an order for the reassignment of the Military Department of Texas and the assignment of Colonel Chambers McKibben of the Twenty-first Infantry to the command of the department. Col. McKibben is now at Columbus Barracks, Ohio. He has a splendid record, and is one of the most popular officers in the army.

Naval Recruits Coming West.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. CHICAGO, June 6.—Eighty-two naval recruits will leave Chicago tonight for San Francisco, there to assume their duties on the cruiser Hartford.

MESSAGE FROM ANDREE'S PARTY.

Cork Buoy Thrown Out Soon After it Started.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

CHRISTIANIA, June 6.—The slip of paper found in the cork buoy picked up by two boys on May 14th last on the north coast of Iceland, as called to the Associated Press yesterday, was inserted in "Drifting buoy No. 7. This buoy thrown from Andree's balloon July 5, 1897, 10:55 P. M. Greenwich time, 82 north, 25 east. We are in an altitude of 600 metres. All well."

(Signed) "ANDREE. "STRINDBERG. "FRISNECKEL."

The balloon thus had only traveled seven hours and fifty minutes when the buoy was thrown out.

CHESS TOURNAMENT

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. LONDON, June 6.—Previous to play in the sixth round of the international chess master's tournament it was announced that Teychmann had withdrawn from the contest and that all the games yet to be played by this player would be scored against him, according to the rules of the tournament.

Round 6 of the Berger system was adopted for today's play and the players met as follows:

Tinsley vs. Mason, Bird vs. Blackburne, Cohn vs. Lasker, Showalter vs. Steinitz, Janowski vs. Teychmann, Pillsbury vs. Maroczy and Leo vs. Tschigorin. Shlechter and Janowski had byes.

When the usual adjournment was made at 4:30 o'clock Tinsley and Mason had drawn, Bird and Blackburne adjourned their game in favor of Blackburne; Lasker and Cohn adjourned in favor of Lasker; Showalter had the better of the game against Steinitz and Pillsbury and Maroczy and Leo and Tschigorin had adjourned their game in even positions.

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HENDERSON THE NEXT SPEAKER.

Virtually Elected by the Support of the New York Delegation.

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NEW YORK, June 6.—A conference of Republican Congressmen of New York State to decide upon a candidate for the Speakership of the House of Representatives was held at the Fifth Avenue Hotel today and resulted in a decision to support David B. Henderson of Iowa.

A SECRET CONFERENCE. The conference went into session behind closed doors. Representative Sherman did not go into the conference, whatever it might be.

Congressmen Ray and Wadsworth left before the conclusion of the conference, and said they did so because Congressman D. B. Henderson had offered a resolution endorsing Mr. Sherman. They said they considered this an insult to Mr. Payne, whom they favored as a candidate.

SHERMAN WITHDRAWS FROM THE CONTEST. Soon after this those in the conference notified Mr. Sherman that they had decided to vote for him. Mr. Sherman then went into the conference and said Mr. Henderson had developed such significant strength as would make him practically the only candidate; he would suggest that the delegation go over to that Congressman.

An informal discussion followed, and it was decided to support Mr. Henderson. Representative Sherman was requested to telegraph Mr. Henderson notifying him of this action. The conference then adjourned.

THE DECISION A MAJORITY ONE. The conference was attended by six of the Republican Congressmen of this State, and six of the others were communicated with by telephone or otherwise, so that twelve of the New York delegation of fifteen had decided for Henderson. Mr. Payne, before leaving for Alaska, declared himself in favor of the Iowa candidate, and his supporters Messrs. Ray and Wadsworth, will probably do likewise. It seems certain that Henderson will have fifteen votes from New York.

SHERMAN'S TELEGRAM. The following telegram was sent to General Henderson: "NEW YORK, June 6.—General D. B. Henderson, Dubuque, Iowa: The Republican Representatives from New York State, at a meeting held today, Wadsworth and Ray withdrawing therefrom, and Mr. Payne not being present, tendered me their support for Speaker. I acknowledge the honor, but stated that in my opinion a majority of the Republicans of the fifty-sixth Congress had already voluntarily expressed a preference for you, and that support was not confined to any section; that with long acquaintance and service with you, I was aware of your eminent fitness for the position of Speaker, and that a unanimous election would tend to strengthen you, whereupon the meeting, at my request, instructed me to notify you that the New York Republican Representatives tendered you their support."

(Signed) "JAMES S. SHERMAN."

FIERCE FIGHT WITH BANDITS.

Deputy Sheriff Badly Wounded by the Robbers.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., June 6.—Sheriff CHAYENNE of Converse county and the posse in pursuit of the Union Pacific train robbers had another fight with the bandits yesterday afternoon, news of which has just been brought in.

The robbers were surrounded in a gulch, when they were forced to abandon their horses, which were captured. They had behind them and made a desperate fight. Sheriff Joe Hazen was shot through the body and dangerously wounded. He is being brought into Cheyenne.

Reinforcements for the posse are going out from Casper as fast as the men can be mounted and armed.

The entire country is aroused, and the prospects are good, not only for capturing the train robbers, but the entire band of outlaws which has infested the Rocky-Mountain country.

RISE IN STEEL BILLETS.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 6.—Steel billets and pig iron have again advanced. The price of steel billets is now placed at \$31 a ton. Pig iron is selling at \$17.50 in the valley, while the price in Pittsburgh is \$18.15. One lot of my tons and several smaller lots of billets were sold at \$31 a ton. It is said by prominent brokers that it is very hard to fill large orders on account of the heavy demand. Less than six months ago steel billets sold at \$23 a ton.

M'KINLEY ACCEPTS.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire. WASHINGTON, June 6.—The President has accepted the invitation extended by Henry C. Payne of Wisconsin on behalf of the mariners and manufacturers of Milwaukee. This will occur in the same week as the laying of the corner stone of the new custom house in Chicago, the ceremonies in connection with which the President has already promised to attend.

Commodore Mayo Weds.

FARGO, N. D., June 6.—Commodore M. Mayo of Washington, on the retired naval list, who secured a divorce here last November, has returned to this city accompanied by Mrs. N. G. Hall, said to be a wealthy Washington society widow. They were quietly married last night by Judge Roberts. The Commodore has a

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College Athletes to Meet.

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<p>at City Hall.</p> <hr/> <p>All the Commissioners of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners came together today but it was to discuss public works and not affairs of the police force.</p> <p>There was no conference between them the interesting subject, although for the time it was supposed that Mayor McLaughlin would be present. News</p>	<p>Fourth.</p> <hr/> <p>Oakland will not celebrate the Fourth of July this year.</p> <p>That is settled.</p> <p>The Oakland people will probably go with the Haywards people in the celebration.</p> <p>Oakland this year, in my opinion said Mr. John A. Britton, "will do to not attempt to bring an independence</p>
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When Mr. Dow went to the place of meeting where the Committee of the whole of the Board of Public Works was to be held, he found the Mayor in a private office. Mr. Dow went into the inner chamber and the door closed behind him.

The two officers were closeted together for some moments when Commissioner Clement made his appearance. He was accompanied by Messrs. Dow and Snow who emerged from the private apartment. The three then sat down to a table and

Afterwards Commissioner Clement was asked what the Police Commissioners had said. He said that the Commission of Chief of Police, and he replied: "I don't know. I have not spoken to them about this subject. I don't know the subject. This much I do know, though, that Mr. Snow and Mr. Dow were together in the morning, and I don't know what they talked about of course." Later Mayor Snow was spoken to on the subject. He said: "Mr. Dow and I spoke about subjects which were to come up before the Commission of the Board of Public Works. We did not speak about anything else."

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and when one is in politics he might as well be in a very hot steam bath. I have said no more to the Commissioners about it. I am satisfied. I can get along."

Selfridge Case Continued

The appeal case of Dr. C. M. Selfridge, convicted of cruelty to animals, was continued this morning by Judge Hall until Thursday, June 15th. H. S. Aldrich represents the defendant.

A June Wedding.

The wedding of Miss Anna M. Landstrom, 11. C. '38, and Dr. Wm. John van Leuven Oosterhout Brown, is announced to take place Saturday June 17th, at the home of the bride's parents, Berkeley.

Died.

HIGGANS—In this city, June 6, 1899.

Mortuary.

George Stewart, aged 25, a native of Sacramento, died yesterday at 1717 Atlantic street.

Beloved daughter of John and Ellen and brother of William J. Higgins and Mrs. Eva Bolger and Mrs. W. J. Boyd and Mrs. E. Andrews, a native of California, aged 20 years and 4 months. Notice of funeral hereafter.

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